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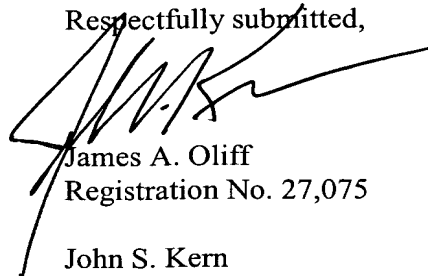
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- ☒ 4. U.S. Patent No. 6,508,528 is the English-language counterpart of Chinese Patent Application Publication No. CN 1267598 A.

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